(a) the number of proposals for promotion of tourism in the State of Punjab received by the Central Government during the last three years;

(b) the number of proposals approved and rejected by Govemment during this period;

(c) if so, the specific reasons therefor; and

(d) the financial assistance proposed to be provided by the Central Government to the State of Punjab in this regard during the next year, if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF TOURISM (SHRI SRIKANT JENA): (a) to (d) During 1993-94, 1994-95 and 1995-96, 25 proposals complete in all respects were received from the Government of Punjab and were approved for financial assistance. Promotion of Tourism is primarily the responsibility of the State Governments. However, the Department of Tourism, Government of India extends financial assistance to specific proposals submitted by the State / UT Governments based on merit, inter se priority and availability of funds. No proposal has been received for the next year from the State Government so far.

Cases Pending with the Supreme Court, High Courts and Subordinate Courts

334. SHRI ASHOK MITRA:
SHRIMATI JAYANTI PATNAIK:

Will the Minister of LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the respective number of cases pending with the Supreme Court, the High Courts and the Subordinate Courts in the country at the end of 1993-94, 1994-95 and 1995-96;

(b) the principal reasons for this backlog; and

(c) measures under active consideration of Government for reducing the backlog?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE DEPTT. OF LEGAL AFFAIRS, LEGISLATIVE DEPTT. AND DEPTT. OF JUSTICE (SHRI RAMAKANT D. KHALAP): (a) The available information is given in attached Statement.

(b) The pendency of cases in courts is due to various complex factors including increase in the. institution.

(c) In order to consider the problem of arrears of cases in Courts and to find out ways and means so as to deal with it as expeditiously as possible a meeting of the Chief Ministers and Chief Justices was held on 4th December, 1993 under the Chairmanship of the Prime Minister. The Conference recommended several steps in a resolution it adopted for the speedy disposal of cases in the .Courts/Tribunals. This resolution has been commended to all the State Governments/ UT Administrations and High Courts/ Tribunals for necessary action. Three Working Groups of Law Ministers, thereafter, met to consider the recommendations contained in the above resolution with regard to rural litigation, arreas of cases in administrative tribunals and alternative dispute resolution. The implementation of December, 1993 resolution and the recommendations made by the Working Groups were reviewed by the Law Ministers at their Plenary meeting held in Calcutta in November, 1994 and in Hyderabad, in November, 1995. The resolutions adopted in these meetings have been commended to all the concerned authorities for necessary follow-up action. The Administration of Justice has been made a Plan item as a Centrally Sponsored Scheme to remove the infrastructural bottlenecks coming in the way of expeditious disposal of cases in Courts.

Statement

Pendency of Cases in the Supreme Court of India

As on	Admission matters	Regular matters	Total
31.12.1993	21,245	17,166	38,411
31.12.1994	21,983	35,853	57,836
1.12.1995	21,357	15,811	37,168

2. Pendency of Cases in the High Courts in India

1993	1994	1995
26,50,516	28,75,855	28,45,278 (Provisional)

3. Pendency of Cases in the Subordinate Courts in India

1993	1994	1995
1,79,58,426	1,97,15,203	1,80,60,394 (Provisional)

Does not include pendency in the States of

(1) Haryana)
(2) J & K
(3) Madhya Pradesh
(4) Manipur
(5) Meghalaya
(6) Nagaland
(7) Sikkim
(8) Punjab
(9) West Bengal

Approval for new Airport at Bangalore near Devanahalli

335. SHRI K. RAHMAN KHAN: Will the MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether approval has been given for a new airport at Bangalore near Devanahalli to Tata*s;

(b) whether Tata*s have requested Government for shifting the domestic Airport also to the proposed Devanahalli Airport, if so, whether Government have agreed to the request; and

(c) what are the reasons for the delay in implementing the project?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI CM. IBRAHIM): (a) The Government of India has given its *No Objection* to the Government of Karnataka for construction of an airport of international standards at Devanahalli near Bangalore with private participation.

(b) Both the State Government and the TATA Consortium have been informed that it is too early to make any commitment on this subject.

(c) It is for the State Government and the TATA Consortium to speed up the implementation of this project.

छत्तीसगढ़ क्षेत्र में स्थापित सीमेंट उद्योगों द्वारा अदा की गई कर-राशि

336. श्री दिलीप सिंह जूदेव: क्या वित्त मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) 1992-93 से 1994-95 तक के वर्षों के दौरान मध्य प्रदेश के छत्तीसगढ़ क्षेत्र में स्थापित सीमेंट उद्योगों द्वारा प्रत्येक वर्ष कितनी कर-राशि अदा की गई है और वे कर कौन-कौन से हैं;

(ख) इन उद्योगों में से प्रत्येक उद्योग द्वारा कितनी राशि का भुगतान बकाया है और यह कब से बकाया है; और

(ग) बकाया ऋण राशि की वसूली के लिए क्या कार्यवाही की गई है और 1995-96 के दौरान इस संबंध में कितनी प्रगति हुई है?

वित्त मंत्री तथा कम्पनी कार्य मंत्री (श्री पी० चिदम्बरम): (क) से (ग) सूचना एकत्र की जा रही है और तथा पटल पर रख दी जाएगी।

Impact of Economic Reforms of South Asia*s Market Share

337. DR. D. VENKATESHWAR RAO: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the economic reforms in India for the last five years which represent 80% of South Asia*s grass national